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SUBJECT: DRESDEN EXHIBIT: INVITATION TO HOFFMANN

REF: A) STATE 49324; B) BERLIN 2278; C) BERLIN 2151

1. DECISION TO ALLOW HOFFMANN TO OPEN DRESDEN EXHIBIT,
WHICH WAS MADE DURING AMBASSADOR'S MID-FEBRUARY
CONSULTATIONS AND COMMUNICATED TO AMBASSADOR SIEBER
DURING LATTER'S CALL ON ASSISTANT SECRETARY VEST
FEBRUARY 24 (REF A), WAS FOLLOWED ON MARCH 23 BY

A DIRECT LETTER FROM PAUL MELLON (COPIES TO EMBASSY
BERLIN AND GDR EMBASSY IN WASHINGTON) INVITING HOFFMANN
ON BEHALF OF TRUSTEES OF NATIONAL GALLERY TO MAY 30
DINNER AND PREVIEW. MELLON STATED THAT FORMAL INVITATIONS
(NOT YET PRINTED) WOULD FOLLOW SHORTLY AND ASKED
HOFFMANN FOR SUGGESTIONS FOR OTHER INVITEES IN CULTURAL
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AREA, SPECIFICALLY MENTIONING DR. BACHMANN, DIRECTOR GENERAL
OF DRESDEN GALLERY.

2. DECISION ON TYPE AND LEVEL OF CALLS (PARA 2, REF B)
FOR HOFFMANN WILL BE MADE AT DATE CLOSER TO MAY 31
OPENING AND DEPEND ON STATE OF US-GDR RELATIONS AT THAT
TIME.

3. ASSISTANT DIRECTOR POWELL OF NATIONAL GALLERY
HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT, ACCORDING TO REF C,
BACKMANN AND OTHERS ALREADY PLANNING TO ATTEND
OPENING. VANCE

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